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Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria VA 22313

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.